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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: GAO and CIA

1. During lunch today with the Deputy Commissioner, IRS, Jim Owens, he asked me about our relationship with the General Accounting Office. He said that recently at a training course for executives being developed within the IRS, their speaker was Charlie Bowsher, Comptroller General, GAO. During the question and answer period Bowsher was asked if he anticipated anything new coming GAO's way in the near future. Bowsher responded that there was talk on the Hill about GAO having to get in bed with CIA. When asked if he wanted this to happen, he said he did not care, it was just another job to them with very sensitive overtones.

2. Owens then went on to talk about IRS' experience with GAO. He said that Bowsher is trying to make their work with IRS more relevant. Owens said that GAO over the years had done a series of studies of the IRS which, in their opinion, arrived three years too late and too frequently were Monday morning quarterbacking. Owens said that he had been urging Bowsher since he took over as Comptroller General to make GAO's product more meaningful to organizations such as IRS--to get involved with what is happening, not what is history.

3. I think it is interesting that the topic of GAO's possible involvement with CIA came up in an IRA training course. Of course, Owens' views about GAO's product come as no surprise.

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